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SUBJECT: GECAMINES EXPANSION TEAM VISIT

REF: LUBUMBASHI 0133

1. HAVE JUST RECEIVED SUMMARY OF RECENT MESSAGE FROM WASHINGTON WHICH INDICATES US TEAM WILL BE SPLIT, FIRST GROUP TO ARRIVE LUBUMBASHI MARCH 27 AND SECOND GROUP TO ARRIVE APRIL 3RD.

2. CONSULATE HAS NO OBJECTION TO SPLIT VISIT AND PRESUME THAT ALSO AGREEABLE TO GECAMINES. HOWEVER, AS INDICATED REFTTEL, PRESIDENT MOBUTU ARRIVES SHABA MARCH 28TH. THIS MEANS AT LEAST FULL OFFICIAL HOLIDAY FOR SHABA ON MARCH 28TH AND MIGHT BE ACCOMPANIED BY ONE OR MORE OTHERS. DURING SUCH PERIODS, ALL WORK STOPS AND MEANINGFUL CONVERSATIONS WITH GECAMINES WOULD BE NEAR IMPOSSIBLE. PRESIDENTIAL VISIT ALSO NORMALLY MEANS SEVERE DISRUPTION OF AIR TRAFFIC BEFORE AND AFTERWARDS AND USUALLY WIPES OUT ALL AVAILABLE HOTELS AND OTHER LODGING SPACE.

3. THEREFORE, FIRST SEGMENT OF TEAM MIGHT WELL ABORT IF ARRIVES LATER THAN MARCH 24TH OR 25TH. MIGHT WISH TO CONSIDER COMING AS ONE GROUP DURING FIRST WEEK OF APRIL.

4. FOR KINSHASA: ALTHOUGH I WILL BE ABSENT FROM POST FIRST AND LIKELY FIRST TWO WEEKS OF APRIL, CONSULATE CAN HANDLE MISSION

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LOGISTICS WITHOUT UNDUE DIFFICULTY AT THAT TIME. SUBJECT TO

CONFIRMATION OF NEW APRIL MARKET DATES, BELIEVE GECAMINES WILL
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